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SUBJ: PAPUA NEW GUINEAN JOURNALIST

REF: PORT MORESBY 0671, STATE 191953

1. WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF PLACING
TARCISSIUS BOBOLA, WORKING JOURNALIST WITH PNG'S ONLY
NATIONWIDE DAILY NEWSPAPER, POST COURIER, ON STAFF OF
AMERICAN NEWSPAPER FOR 3-4 MONTHS. BASIC PURPOSE WOULD
BE SAME AS INTERNATIONAL VISITOR PROGRAM, SUPPLEMENTED
BY PROFESSIONAL TRAINING. WOULD ALSO HOPE BOBOLA'S
CONTACTS WITH AMERICAN PRESS MIGHT BE OF LASTING NATURE
AND CONTRIBUTE IN LONG-RUN TO STRENGTHENING OF FREE
LOCAL PRESS.

2. POST COURIER IS NOW AUSTRALIAN OWNED AND DIRECTED,
A SITUATION WHICH WILL PROBABLY NOT LAST FOR LONG.
BOBOLA IS NOW SLATED TO BECOME COURIER'S SENIOR POLITICAL
REPORTER AND, AS ONE OF FEW PAPUA NEW GUINEANS NOW IN
SUBSTANTIVE JOBS ON PAPER, CAN REALISTICALLY EXPECT
TO BE MANAGING EDITOR IN FUTURE.

3. IDEALLY WE WOULD LIKE TO PLACE BOBOLA IN AMERICAN
SITUATION WHICH MEETS FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

A. CITY WITH RELATIVELY LARGE BLACK POPULATION
WHICH IS DEALING SUCCESSFULLY WITH CIVIL RIGHTS
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PROBLEMS;

B. POPULATION SIZE: ROUGHLY COMPARABLE TO THAT
OF PORT MORESBY (100,000);

C. NEWSPAPER: LIBERAL, PROGRESSIVE STAFF WITH
TIME TO GUIDE AND ASSIST BOBOLA.

4. FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS: POST WOULD FUND TRAVEL. WOULD
HOPE POST COURIER WOULD CONTINUE PAYING BOBOLA'S REGULAR
SALARY. IF NECESSARY, WE WOULD PROVIDE STIPEND TO MEET
HIS LIVING EXPENSES IN STATES.

5. MISSION HAS NOT YET APPROACHED EITHER BOBOLA OR POST
COURIER'S MANAGEMENT, AND AWAITS DEPARTMENT'S RESPONSE
BEFORE DOING SO. ADVISE.
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